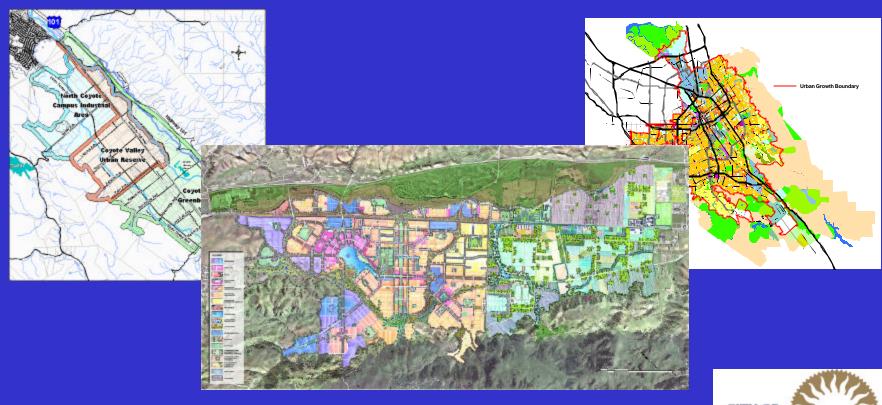
Environmental Impact Report Update





EIR Outreach Meeting Calendar

- February 15 Technical Advisory Committee
- March 2 CVSP Early Outreach Meeting (Property Owners)
- March 3 CVSP Early Outreach Meeting (General Public)
- April Future Public Scoping Meeting(s), dates TBD



EIR Outreach

Comments on Alternatives

- Use the Greenbelt Alliance Plan as an EIR alternative, or compare the City plan against the major components of it.
- A smaller urban footprint alternative may allow more open space to accommodate possible future mitigation areas (i.e, higher density development).
- A transportation alternative for more efficient flow, such as no parkways, freeway interchange design, walkable street systems.
- A No Lake and No Relocation of Fisher Creek alternative.
- Delay-start Alternative that would amend the "triggers" to require that substantial levels of development occur in the North San Jose and Downtown strategy areas prior to Coyote Valley.



EIR Outreach Comments on Alternatives

- Alternative Location(s):
- Keep the units and jobs within the existing City limits, e.g. North First Street or throughout the City.
- Keep the project within Santa Clara County (i.e., east foothills).
- Utilize the South Almaden Valley Urban Reserve.
- Put the proposed housing units and jobs in Downtown San Jose.
- Move the Greenbelt to North Coyote and develop Mid and South Coyote Valley.
- No Project Alternative Does not mean that no development will occur, just not at this time.
- Reduced Scale Alternative Proportional and disproportional reduction of jobs and housing units alternative should be considered.





EIR Outreach Comments on Biology

- Give consideration to water fowl that may be attracted to the future lake.
- Impacts on serpentine soils need to be address and any secondary impacts on associated species (i.e., Bay Checkerspot Butterfly).
- Analyze the "Urban Heat Effect" on creeks and aquatic habitat(s).
- Migration corridors should be provided for biological resources in the valley.
- How will loss of habitat for biological resources be mitigated? Will land be set aside for mitigation within the Specific Plan boundaries or in the Greenbelt?



EIR Outreach Comments on Hydrology/Water Quality

- Fisher Creek re-alignment should not impact existing flow rates on Coyote Creek.
- Will the project be supplied by recycled water?
- Water treatment measures such as bio-swales and detention basins, should be located on public property to ensure proper installation and maintenance.
- How will the high water table of the valley be addressed?
- How will the proposed central lake be operated and maintained?
- Will operation and maintenance of the central lake have secondary impacts on aquatic habitats of Fisher Creek and/or Coyote Creek?
- Adequacy of water supply to serve the valley.



EIR Outreach

Comments on Greenbelt

- The EIR should discuss the economic impact on the Greenbelt property owners that could result in blight.
- Will there be mitigation for the Greenbelt property owners?
- The EIR should consider how agricultural uses could be protected from nuisance complaints by development (Right-to-Farm Ordinance does not work).
- Air Quality impacts and the effects on residents should be addressed.
- The EIR should clearly define the Greenbelt vision.
- Include environmental analysis of future subdivision of the Greenbelt in conformance with existing policy.
- What are the growth inducing impacts to hillsides and Greenbelt?



EIR Outreach Comments on Traffic & Services

- Traffic the 80/20 split is not accurate. The majority of vehicle trips will be coming from the south. How far will the traffic be analyzed?
- Impacts to Almaden Expressway should be analyzed.
- The proposed school sites are not sufficiently sized to accommodate the future demand.
- Water supply must be analyzed in order to determine whether additional reservoirs are needed.
- The demand on and need for public facilities needs to be addressed, such as schools, hospitals, police and fire.
- Santa Teresa Blvd. Connections to south county.
- Growth inducing impacts to south.



Next Steps

1. Prepare Notice of Preparation

Public Scoping Meeting(s)

3. Prepare Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR)

4. Circulate DEIR

5. Prepare First Amendment to the DEIR

6. Planning Commission Certification of the Final EIR (public hearing)

7. (Appeal of the FEIR to the City Council)

8. Public hearing on the Coyote Valley Specific Plan before the City Council, EIR Findings

April 2005

April – May 2005

April – August 2005

September 2005

October – January 2005

February 2006

March 2006

March 2006



EIR Project Description Major Elements



What's Required?

Sufficient information necessary for evaluation and review of environmental impacts.

- Factual information
- All steps of proposed project
- Not extensive detail

The Project Description will set the bounds of what is analyzed in the EIR



EIR Project Descriptions Basic Components

- Location and boundaries
- Project objectives and goals
- Project specific and programmatic components
- Schedule and phasing
- Intended uses of the EIR
- Land use regulation history



EIR Project Descriptions Project Objectives and Goals

- Council 15 Objectives: Sets the criteria provided by the City Council that identifies the vision and expected outcomes regarding the scope of development in North, Mid and South Coyote Valley.
- General Plan: Be consistent with the General Plan's Major Strategies and Goals and Policies which identify the basic framework for planning in San Jose.
- Specific Plan: Incorporate the necessary components of a specific plan document.



Intended Uses

- General Plan Amendments
- Specific Plan
- Zoning Code Amendments & Pre/Rezonings
- Design Guidelines
- Annexations & Urban Service Area Expansion (LAFCO)
- Community Facilities District Formation
- Area Development Policy
- Development Permits & Subdivisions



Land Uses, Form and Intensity

- Residential 25,000 units, densities, types, etc.
- Commercial types, square footage, etc.
- Industrial –50,000 jobs, type, square footage, etc.
- Mixed Uses various combinations
- Public and Institutional City services, schools, churches, medical, etc.
- Greenbelt no change to GP
- Development Standards heights, setbacks, FAR's, etc.
- Infrastructure



EIR Project Descriptions Public Services Provided by the City

- Libraries
- Fire Stations
- Police
- Corporation maintenance yard(s)
- Recreational sports fields
- Parks
- Temporary uses of public open space (Farmers Market)



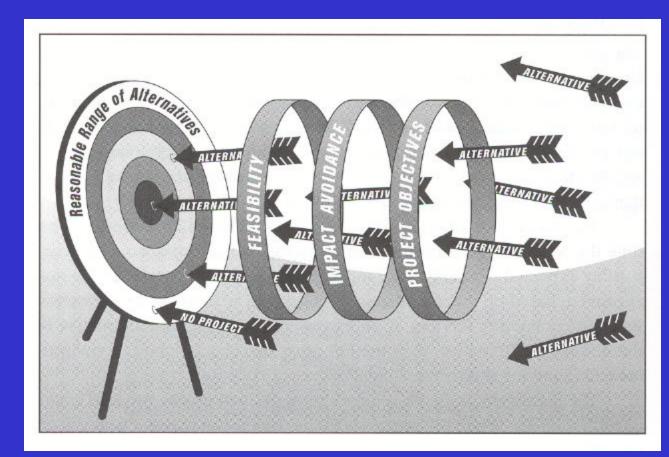
Infrastructure

- Flood Control (Lake)
- Transportation
 - Internal Transit System
 - Freeway Interchanges
 - Bailey Avenue over the hill
- Phasing of improvements
- Fisher Creek Restoration
- Utilities
- Water Quality



Coyote Specific Plan

Alternatives





Potential Environmental Impacts

- Land Use
- Transportation
- Air Quality
- Noise
- Hydrology
- Geology & Soils
- Biology

- Cultural Resources
- Hazardous Materials & Hazards
- Visual and Aesthetic Resources
- Utilities/ Energy
- Public Facilities and Services

